(a) whether the government have recently set up a high level committee to invite the participation of private sector in the generation of power;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the norms to be followed by private sector for entering into power generation; and

(d) the assessment made by the Government in regard to actual production of power both in public and private sectors within the next two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES(SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The details in respect of High powered Board and the norms to be followed by the Private Sector for entering into electricity generation, supply and distribution have been notified through resolutions published in the gazette dated 22nd October, 1991, copies of which are enclosed herewith.

(d) The Eighth Five Year Plan in respect of the Power generation has not yet been finalised.

Setting up of New Intelligence and Vigilance Organisation

574. SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the present arrangements for vigilance and internal intelligence in the telecom sector are adequate;

(b) if not, whether the Ministry proposes to set up a new intelligence and vigilance organisation to check corrupt practices in the telecommunications department; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS(SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Proposal to set up a comprehensive vigilance organisation for the Department is under contemplation.

Payment of Interest for New Telephone connections

575. SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom Commission has recently decided to pay interest on the deposits accepted from the public for giving new telephone connections;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number or persons to whom the interest has been paid in the country so far?

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS(SHRI P.V.RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). As per the existing instructions, every application for a telephone connection shall be accompanied with an amount of deposit prescribed for each category. This amount carries interest from the date of deposit till the date of installation of telephone connection at the Bank rate prevailing from time to time. Interest is being paid to all the applicants who have registered their demands.

Over-Staying of Foreign Nationals in Hyderabad.

576. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign nationals who are over-staying in the country State-wise;

(b) whether about 25, 000 foreign nationals are over-staying in Hyderabad alone; and

(c) if so, the action Union Government have taken to deport the over-staying foreign nationals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) On the basis of the information available, a statement Is attached.

(b) No such information is available to substantiates the figure.

(c) Instructions have been issued to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations that whenever any foreigner is detected for over-staying in India, action should be taken for his deportation under the Foreigners Act, 1946.

STATEMENT

State-wise information available with the Ministry of Home Affairs on the basis of reports received from State Govts./ U.T. Administration in respect if foreigners overstaying in India.

S. No.	*Name of the State Govt./ U.T. Administration.*	*No. Of Foreigners overstaying India*
1.	Assam	2
2.	Andhra Pradesh	45
3.	Bihar	130
4.	Delhi	161
5.	Gujarat	1104
6.	Haryana	98
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	110
8.	Karnataka	317
9.	Kerala	545
10.	Madhya Pradesh	1227
11.	Maharashtra	2366
12.	Orissa	51

S. No.	Name of the State Govt./ U.T. Administration.	No. Of Foreigners overstaying India
13.	Punjab	228
14.	Rajasthan	2710
15.	Tamil Nadu	1141
16.	Utter Pradesh	1347
17.	West Bengal	617
18.	Chandigarh	42
19.	Pondicherry	68

1. Information is respect of remaining States is nil.

2. No authentic information in respect of Bangladesh nationals is available. The above figures do not, therefore, include Bangladesh notional.

Decisions Taken at Regional Conference of Chief Ministers of Eastern India.

577. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the regional conference of Chief Ministers of Eastern India took place at Bhubaneshwar recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decisions taken at the said conference?

THE MINMISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER IF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). the last (18th) meeting of the Eastern Zonal Council was held at Bhubaneshwar on the 21st September, 1991. A number of issues of inter-State relevance were discussed. The proceedings of the meeting would be placed in the parliament Library for perusal by the Hon'ble Members of parliament of finalisation after connects on the same are received from the concerned States.

National Commission for SCs/STs

578. SHRI SHARAD DIGHE: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 65th Constitution Amendment Act, 1990 which confess Constitutional status on the National Commission for S.C. and S.T. has been brought into force; and

(b) if so, whether rules have been framed under the Act laying down any qualification for the commission members and also pre-